

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2645 – SB 3354

February 17, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, in conjunction with the Department of Education, to develop, implement, and administer a program for the payment of the cost of licensing tests for adult students with financial need who complete a high school diploma or a general educational development credential in a career and technical education program and who are required to take a test in order to become licensed for a career in their fields of study.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$176,400

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Education, an average of 7,000 students go through Career and Technical Education programs each year.
- The Department of Education estimates that 42 percent or 2,940 will have financial need.
- The average cost of licensing is \$60. There will be an increase in state expenditures of \$176,400 (\$60 x 2,940).
- According to the Department of Education and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, no additional personnel will be needed to administer this program.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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